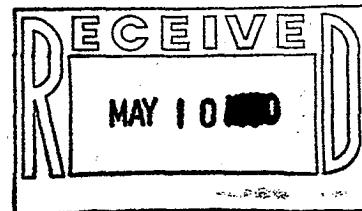


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Ladies and Gentlemen:

During the last four years I have been working on the structure and function of neuronal nicotinic receptors using molecular biological methods. As I have been a member of Dr Jon Lindstrom's laboratory at the Salk Institute my research has been partially funded by The Council for Tobacco Research.

In the future I intend to continue my work on neuronal nicotine receptors independently. Therefor I would like to ask you whether I may submit a grant application to The Council for Tobacco Research and if you could send me the necessary application forms.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely Yours

Ralf Schoepfer

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